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FIRST RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the Final Office Action of April 11, 2003 which allowed claims 1-13, indicated claims 14-22 would be allowable if amended in claim 14, line 2, to change "an" to "and", rejected claim 23 as lacking novelty and gave no response to claim 24 which was previously deemed allowable if amended to obviate a §112 rejection.